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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Application of:
Tor Jan Akerlund

Serial No.: 10/044,639

Confirmation No.: 9370

Filed: January 10, 2002

For: APPARATUS FOR
POSITIONING A TONG AND
DRILLING RIG PROVIDED
WITH SUCH AN APPARATUS

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Group Art Unit: 3672

Examiner: Jennifer Hawkins Gay

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 29, 2005

In response to the Office Action dated April 29, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 29, 2005, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/MRKS/0032.C1/WBP, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the **Specification** begin on page 2.

Amendments to the **Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3.

Amendments to the **Drawings** begin on page 11 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.